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We believe we are the original, first and joint inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

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English Language Declaration

We hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, ' 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, ' 112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, ' 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

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